

January 2, 2003

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room 8-B201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Amendment of Sections 90.20 and 90.175 of the Commission's Rules for
Frequency Coordination of Public Safety Frequencies in the Private Land
Mobile Radio Below-470 MHz Band
WT Docket No. 02-285

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Public safety coordination is an important part of protecting the public in and around Bay City, Michigan. This is truly a job that demands speed, accuracy and must be done in a cost-effective manner for the taxpaying public.

The current public safety coordination process can be improved upon to meet these standards. Competition will decrease the time necessary to complete coordination. It should also drive down prices, and accuracy and efficiency could be enhanced if all coordinators are using the same database—ULS. Customer service should become a focal point of coordination through expanded competition and innovative new services should emerge for public safety applicants.

With these goals in mind, the Commission should “open up” coordination in both the public safety and industrial/business services to all public safety and industrial/business frequency coordinators.

Sincerely,

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